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TETRAHYDROTHIOPHENE-3-OL

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: